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**MAIN STREET RAMP TO OPEN IN RIVERSIDE
RELIEF TO COMMUTERS IN SIGHT**

RIVERSIDE – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces that the on-ramp from Main Street to eastbound State Route 60 will open on Thursday, July 8 in time for the evening commute. Motorists used to access eastbound State Route 60 from Orange Street. The new alignment at Main Street will provide for better access from city streets and better traffic flow, and is designed to work together with the other improvements currently underway at the 60-91-215 interchange.

Workers have completed the ramp paving and are now reconfiguring the signal light at the intersection of Main Street and the on- and off-ramps, adding a left-turn arrow. The signal will be operational on Thursday, July 8, and the Main Street on-ramp will be open to traffic.

The ramp opening marks the last item of work on the “conventional contract,” the precursor project to the 60-91-215 Interchange and Freeway Improvement project. The conventional contract included widening the existing State Route 91 highway undercrossing bridges at University Avenue, Mission Inn Avenue and Third Street, and relocating the State Route 60 eastbound on-ramp from Orange Street to Main Street.

To sign up for the Fast Fax, the 60-91-215 Interchange and Freeway Improvement project’s weekly lane closure update, call 1-866-60-91-215 or visit the web site at www.6091215.dot.ca.gov. Remember to always SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE.

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